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*Case of yellow fever at Mantanzas.*MATANZAS, CUBA, *January 5, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report to you that on this day I have been officially informed by the chief surgeon of the United States military hospital that on December 20, 1899, Private Byron De Witt, Company H, Tenth United States Infantry, was admitted at the said hospital, and is now suffering with yellow fever.

Respectfully,

FELIX GARCIA,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine Hospital Service.**Reports from Nuevitas.*NUEVITAS, CUBA, *January 2, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended December 30, 1899: There have arrived at this port 8 vessels, and 10 bills of health have been issued. The health of the port is good and I have no deaths to report for the above week.

Puerto Padre reports the arrival of 6 vessels and 11 bills of health issued, 3 deaths, and sanitary condition good. Report from Gibara not yet received. I have not received a reply from the physician I wrote to in Baracoa.

The *Half Moon* has not arrived and I have heard nothing from her, as I last wrote, since leaving Southport, N. C. I desire to call your attention to the fact that I am constantly receiving baggage from Havana, marked on Cuban passes, "to be disinfected at Nuevitas," and I would suggest that such baggage be sealed in Havana, as the trip from Havana here is usually made in two nights and one day. The staterooms on the steamers are usually crowded, and the baggage to be disinfected at this place is usually opened and kept open in the crowded cabins, thus, if infected, endangering nonimmunes and the vessels.

By the mail, I forward the report of property on hand January 1, 1900, the report including the house containing the disinfecting plant.

On account of cool weather and the bad condition of the tents on Cayo Poota, I am not sending Americans and newly-arrived foreigners to that place, but keep them under constant observation, until the completion of five days from Havana, requiring them to sleep in the house rented by Assistant Surgeon Richardson, which I have supplied with cots from the quartermaster's department here. I would respectfully suggest that portable houses of wood or corrugated iron, the latter preferred on account of the danger from fire, be provided for the detention camp on Cayo Poota.

Lumber for the houses can be purchased here, but the material for the iron houses would have to be purchased in the United States. A transport is in the harbor now, for the removal of the infantry from this province, leaving only cavalry, the garrison at this port remaining the same, numerically, reducing that at Puerto Principe about one half.

Respectfully,

OWEN W. STONE,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*NUEVITAS, CUBA, *January 8, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report from this station for the week ended January 6, 1900: Eight vessels have arrived